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OF

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From

E. A. MOLONY, Esq., C. S.,
President,
Municipal Committee Naini Tal.

To

COL. G. E. ERSKINE,
Commissioner of Kumaun Division.

Dated Naini Tal, the 16th. May, 1891.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit the Annual Financial Report and returns of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March, 1891.

2. The actual receipts for the year amounted to Rs 66,138-8-8 against Rs 61,737-10-1 last year, and the Expenditure to Rs. 73,627-0-0 against Rs. 66,638 last year.

The following abnormal items appear however on the expenditure side as expenditure and on the receipt side as refunds and should therefore be deducted in order to ascertain the ordinary income and expenditure.

(a) Rs. 1,500 spent on the buttress on the south side of the lake and refunded by Government.

(b) Advance made to and recovered from the band fund Rs. 434-2-0.

(c) Asphaltic bought by the Municipality and supplied to Mr. Matthews and Assembly Rooms Rs. 268-11-0.

(d) Price of police forms refunded by the Government Press Rs. 37-7-4

(e) Cholera expenses recovered from the District Board Rs. 1,509-4-3.

(f) Half of the cost of a new road paid according to agreement by Messrs Matthews and Reynolds Rs. 300.

The actual income was therefore Rs. 62,089 against Rs. 61,613 and the expenditure Rs. 69,578 against Rs. 58,521 last year; this progressive though small increase in the receipts is satisfactory.

3. I will now examine the various heads in detail explaining increases and decreases.

4. Octroi on animals for slaughter Head I. class III. Form A. has increased from Rs. 3,456 to Rs. 4,314.

5. Heads II, VI 3, VI 4 and XII 5 of Form A. are all taxes on houses and sites and may be considered together. The rental tax in the station brought in Rs. 13,771 against Rs. 13,371 last year and that in the bazars brought in Rs. 3,248 against Rs. 3,196 last year.

The site tax in the station and bazars brought in Rs. 1,530 and 1,733 respectively as against Rs. 1,464 and 1,838 last year. The additional site tax brought in Rs. 4,105 against Rs. 4,035 last year. The Government land tax brought in Rs. 2,023 against Rs. 2,089 last year.

Details of the collections and balances can be ascertained from form D. The diminution in the receipts from the site tax in the bazars and from the Government land tax, is entirely due to the fact that last year there was a much larger amount to be collected on account of arrears than there was at the beginning of this year. At the beginning of last year Rs. 1,681 was outstanding. At the beginning of the year under report the amount outstanding was Rs. 780, and at the end of the year it was Rs. 371. The small amount of outstandings is extremely gratifying and it is due entirely to the energy displayed by Mr. Finn, who was Secretary until a paid Secretary was appointed. The total demand for the year under report for these taxes has risen from Rs. 25,112 to Rs. 25,758. This increase is due partly to a re-assessment and partly to the station having been fuller.

6. *Realizations.*—Head V (tolls) shows a decrease from Rs. 8,800 to Rs. 7,800. This tax was sold by auction for Rs. 8,500 and the reason of the deficit is that it was thought equitable to make a reduction of Rs. 200 on account of the slip on the cart road and this was accordingly done. The outstanding of Rs. 500 has been realised since the end of the year.

Head VII (3) also shows a decrease from Rs. 1,757 to Rs. 1,623. This is due to O. Ram the lessee of the public Serai having failed. The balance will probably have to be written off as irrecoverable.

8. Head XII 4 Paras shows a falling off from Rs. 48-12-0 to Rs. 15. This is due to the failure of the cart road having rendered the cart paras quite useless.

9. The Conservancy tax. Head VI 1 shows a slight increase in the station and a slight decrease in the bazar. The system of taxation for the conservancy of the bazars is now under consideration and it is hoped that the bazar will now pay for its own conservancy.

10. The station quarries. Head VII. 4 have brought in Rs. 583-6-5 against Rs. 109-3-6 last year. The reason of this large increase is that Mr. Matthews paid in a considerable amount during the year on account of arrears from last year.

11. The decrease in receipt from gardens, Head VIII, is due to the municipality having taken under direct management and utilised for trenching purposes the municipal gardens behind the big bazar which were formerly leased to a gardener.

12. The sale proceeds of firewood are higher than last year but the results are not very satisfactory. This year the stack of wood will be built near the municipal godown and its supervision should be easier. At present it is almost impossible to tell whether wood is stolen or not as it is a work of too great labour and expense to test the weight of wood in a stack containing probably 3,000 maunds or more.

13. Head XIII (1). Sale of sites has brought in only Rs. 327-8-0 against Rs. 775 last year ; the explanation is that fewer sites were sold.

14. The miscellaneous income. (Head XIII (1)) amounted to Rs. 4,580. The details of this are given in a separate statement.

15. The increases and decreases in heads VI (2) (Stall tax) VII (2) (Nazul shops and houses) VII (5) (Fishing licenses) VII (6) (Pedlar stalls) X (Fines) and XIII (5) (Contributions from Government) are unimportant and do not seem to call for explanation.

Expenditure.

16. The expenses of collection of the tax were only Rs. 265 against Rs. 350 last year. The reason of this is that the former Head Clerk has died and his successor does not get so large a salary.

17. Head II 6 contingencies shows an increase from Rs. 564 to Rs. 767. The reason of this is that it was necessary to print more papers this year.

18. The large expenditure on original works (Head III, 2) namely Rs. 24,678 against Rs. 18,994 last year will be considered later.

19. Head VI (4) Diet of patients shows a decrease from Rs. 182 to Rs. 38. The reason of this is that the amount expended this year on dieting cholera patients has been charged in the cholera expenses and not under the head of diet of patients.

20. The increase in head VII b. Bazar conservancy is due to a contractor having been appointed on Rs. 60 per mensem to remove stable refuse and sweepings from the bazar and to the appointment of extra men to remove sullage water from the bazar receptacles.

21. The increases and decreases in the other heads are small and do not appear to call for comment.

22. The expenditure on original works was very large amounting to Rs. 24,678. The budget estimate was Rs. 21,079. The following works, namely the Galloway House slip, the China band, the Rock slip on Ayarpata and minor works estimated to cost in all Rs. 6,302 had been completed before the commencement of the year.

The works noted in the margin were urgent minor works and were

	Rs.	a.	p.	
Removing loose rocks from Cheema	150	0	0	completed and paid for this year
Buffalo shed	162	5	6	though not budgeted for.
Kerosine oil godown	354	4	0	
Fixing Rajpur tank	42	13	9	The buffalo shed is to house
Old Dak bungalow drain	72	0	9	the buffaloes brought in for
Drain on Ramni road	154	13	0	slaughter. It was found neces-
Sweeper's house Sarya Tal	113	11	8	sary to build this owing to the
Prospect lodge and Balmoral drain	174	7	0	buffaloes and oxen fighting if
Improvement of coolies and sweepers' lines,	1291	10	6	left in one shed. The sweeper's
Removing Dharmasala at the Gorkha				
spring,	229	9	0	
Dhobighat Talli Tal	172	12	0	
Remodelling Ayarpata spring head	465	15	3	
Dhobighat Sarya Tal	260	3	0	

hut at Sarya Tal, the improvement of the coolies and sweepers' lines and the removal of the Dharmasala above the Gorkha spring, the Dhobighat at Talli Tal and the remodelling of the Ayarpata spring head were urgently necessary on sanitary grounds and most of these improvements were carried out on the recommendation of the Sanitary Commissioner.

The marginally noted urgent works were put in hand during the year

	Rs.	a.	p.	
Remodelling upper bazar latrine	1,783	1	8	though, not budgeted for in this
Meat market	3,957	15	9	year's budget in accordance with
Cowsheds and Goat shed	2,801	5	6	Commissioner's No. 697
Improvement to municipal garden	127	4	6	XVIII-112
Remodelling bazar drain	2,953	9	0	
Bazar house receptacles for sullage water,	312	11	0	dated 23rd January, 1891, they

are entered in the budget of 1891-92. All these works were urgently required on sanitary grounds. The exceptionally severe winter and the scarcity of labour owing to the number of men employed on the cart road, Ramsay Hospital and other large buildings has rendered it impossible to complete these works during the year, but the upper bazar latrine is now finished and is very satisfactory.

The completion of the meat-market has been delayed by some alterations which are absolutely necessary to make the market a success and by the failure of a contractor in Agra to supply stone slabs which have had to be ordered from elsewhere.

The Cow sheds and goat sheds are complete except for the flooring about which difficulties have arisen. Objections have been raised to an earth flooring over a stone foundation but this will be laid down as a temporary measure until funds are forthcoming for a more permanent flooring.

The bazar receptacles have been completed and the drains have been very nearly completed.

From Form B, the details of the expenditure on original works can be ascertained.

23. At a period such as this when large schemes of sanitary improvement, concerning which a good deal of misapprehension appears to exist are being carried out; it seems advisable to give a brief resume of the history of the measures of sanitation.

The Committee in the beginning of 1888 were occupied with a few small schemes for improving the sanitation of Naini Tal and in October, 1888 they applied for the services of Mr. Hughes, Superintending Engineer

of municipalities. It was not till May, 1889, that Mr. Hughes arrived in Naini Tal. In June, 1889, he met the Committee and communicated to them his general proposals and they agreed to arrange for a loan of 1½ lakhs to carry out the more complete of the two schemes. In the end of August, Mr. Hughes submitted a printed report. In October the Government offered to advance 1½ lakhs to carry out the scheme and in the same month Mr. Hughes was authorised to prepare plans and estimates. In March, 1890 the Committee received the estimates from Mr. Hughes and considered them. It was found that the scheme added about Rs. 11,000 to the present working expenses in addition to the loan. This the Committee considered was utterly beyond their power. Meanwhile the lake water had been regularly analysed throughout the whole year by Dr. Veris of Benares and Dr. Voelker, Consulting Chemist to the Royal Agricultural Society had also examined Naini Tal in the hot weather of 1890.

As a result of the full discussion that took place the Government in their Resolution dated 18th June, 1890 decided as follows:—“A water supply however desirable as a matter of convenience cannot be regarded as a necessity and in view further of the great cost which it would involve His Honor considers that the idea of a water supply and drainage scheme or of the former section only of such a scheme may for the present be abandoned.”

In September 1890 detailed recommendations were received from Government on the following points.

(a) the necessity for drafting Acts for the prevention of over crowding in lodging houses and for regulating the lodging and rates of hire of coolies and other temporary immigrants.

(b) the necessity for the Committee to house properly its own employes.

(c) a better system of trenching in the municipal gardens.

(d) purchase of an incinerator.

(e) better arrangements for the disposal of stable refuse in the station.

(f) construction of a meat market.

(g) the appointment of a competent paid Secretary.

In the beginning of October the Lieutenant-Governor in his speech at the opening of the Ramsay Hospital animadverted very strongly on the want of energy shown by the Committee. The Committee then pointed out how they were hampered by their heavy load of debt in carrying out improvements.

The Government promised financial assistance and in December the Committee submitted general proposals to raise the money necessary for carrying out a comprehensive scheme of sanitation. In January 1891 the Government in a G. O. recognised the necessity for an adequate scheme of water supply and conservancy.

In February Mr. Baldwin Latham submitted general proposals for a drainage scheme for the two bazars with pipes and for a water supply round the mall. The Committee generally approved of this scheme but nothing more can be done until the plans and estimates are ready.

The recommendations of Government dated September, 1890 have been taken up as follows:—

- (a) the required acts are now under consideration by the Legislative Council.
- (b) the housing of the Committee's employees is a matter of such considerable cost that it cannot be carried out until Government grants the proposed loan but plans and estimates have been prepared.
- (c) a better system of trenching in the municipal garden has been introduced.
- (d) the purchase of an incinerator has been found too costly and of doubtful utility.
- (e) better arrangements for the disposal of stable refuse in the station cannot be made until the Government has sanctioned increased taxation to meet the extra cost.
- (f) The meat market is approaching completion.
- (g) a competent paid Secretary has been appointed.

In addition to these improvements the Committee have on the recommendation of the cholera commission:—

- (1) protected springs.
- (2) relaid most of the bazar drains and placed masonry receptacles for sullage water in the houses in the upper bazar.
- (3) removed the fee for the use of the public latrines and remodelled the upper bazar latrine.
- (4) improved the dhobies' ghats.
- (5) constructed cow sheds and goat sheds.

The Committee consider that this is a good record of work accomplished and that it should effectually clear them from the charge of inaction. A good deal of course still remains to be done and the necessary works will be taken in hand as funds are available.

24. In accordance with G. O. No. ³³ ~~31-134~~ dated 26th February, 1890, I beg to report.

- (a) The municipality was established on 3rd October, 1890.
- (b) There were altogether 39 meetings of the Committee held during the year of which 20 were general and 3 special. The average attendance was 6 members.

(c) There is only one native vaccinator employed.

(d) The Committee contributes to the Charitable Dispensary which is not however maintained entirely from municipal funds.

25. The Committee greatly regret having lost the services of the Hon'ble G. E. Knox, c.s., who resigned in consequence of having left the station on being appointed a Judge of the High Court. In his place the Hon'ble J. Deas has been appointed.

In accordance with G. O. No. $\frac{1784}{XI-291-79}$, dated 18th July, 1890, the Assistant Commissioner has been appointed President in place of the Senior Assistant Commissioner.

By the same order the Treasury Officer of Naini Tal was appointed Ex-officio Secretary but a paid Secretary having been appointed this order has been cancelled by G. O. No. $\frac{963}{XI-291-79}$, dated 28th April, 1891. The Treasury Officer's status apparently is now that of an ordinary ex-officio member.

The only other change is that on 19th June, 1890, Hafiz Abdul Rahim was appointed a member vice Lala Amar Nath Sah whose term of office had expired.

When none of the members have spared either time or trouble in the work of the Committee to make distinctions would be invidious but I think that Lala Krishna Sah Rai Bahadur deserves special praise for having undertaken and very successfully carried out the building of the Rampur Serai.

26. It will be observed that the cost of building this Serai has not been entered in the accounts. This is due to the liberality of the Rampur State in giving Rs. 5,000 for its construction.

27. There have been the following changes in the municipal staff (Office Establishment) during the year.

Mr. Hodges, c.e. has been appointed Secretary.

Tara Dutt has been appointed head clerk vice Pandit Bal Krishna deceased.

I have the honor to be.

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

E. A. MOLONY,

President, Municipal Committee.

FORM A.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL (POPULATION 12,408)

Statement of Receipts and expenditure of Municipal Funds for the year 1890-91

Receipts.	Actual income of previous year, 1889-90	Year under report.		Expenditure.	Actual expenditure of previous year 1889-90.	Year under report.		Percentage of actual expenditure of each major head on total expenditure.
		Estimated income 1890-91	Actual income 1890-91			Estimated expenditure 1890-91.	Actual expenditure 1890-91.	
		Rs a. p.	Rs a. p.		Rs a. p.	Rs a. p.	Rs a. p.	
I		3	4	I	2	3	4	5
I.—Octroi ...	Class I.—Articles of food or drink for men or animals ...	...	...	1. Octroi tax ...	...	...	...	...
II.—	II.—Articles for sale ...	...	...	2. Tax on houses, buildings, and lands ...	350 0 0	420 0 0	265 0 0	...
III.—	III.—Fuel, lighting and washing ...	3,155 0 0	3,500 0 0	3. Tax on professions and trades ...	...	...	...	...
IV.—	IV.—Building materials ...	...	...	4. Tax on carriages and horses ...	...	...	...	...
V.—	V.—Drugs, paints and spices ...	...	...	5. Tax on carts and carriages, &c. ...	...	...	...	...
VI.—	VI.—Tobacco ...	...	...	6. Special taxes ...	...	...	...	...
VII.—	VII.—Cloth ...	...	...	7. Rents ...	...	...	...	...
VIII.—	VIII.—Metals ...	...	...	Total of I. ...	...	...	...	...
Total of I.	Total of I. ...	3,455 0 0	4,314 0 0	{ a. Office ...	350 0 0	420 0 0	265 0 0	...
II.—	II.—Tax on houses, buildings and lands ...	13,971 2 11	13,000 0 0	{ b. Contingencies ...	1,101 0 0	1,104 0 0	11,038 8 8	...
III.—	III.—Tax on profession and trades ...	3,156 0 10	2,800 0 0	Total of II. ...	364 9 9	600 0 0	767 0 9	...
IV.—	IV.—Tax on Carriages, Horses, &c. ...	10,567 8 9	15,300 0 0	1. Supervision and fixed establishments ...	1,665 9 9	1,764 0 0	1,870 4 5	254
V.—	V.—Tolls on Carts, Carriages, &c. ...	...	...	2. Original work ...	3,160 7 3	3,186 0 0	3,176 7 9	...
		...	...	3. Purchase of lands ...	13,994 5 3	21,079 10 10	24,078 7 2	...
		...	...	4. Compensation for houses &c. ...	...	...	...	...
		...	...	5. Repairs ...	7,000 0 0	7,000 0 0	6,238 5 1	...
		...	...	Total of III. ...	29,151 12 6	31,259 10 10	34,093 4 0	4631
		8,500	7,800					

VI.—Taxes specially sanctioned by authority of the Governor General in Council.		10,005	12	3	10,000	0	0	10,231	5	10	IV.—Police	4,847	1	0	5,000	0	0	4,889	0	5	0	04
1. Conservancy (a) Station (b) Bazar		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2. Stall tax		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3. Site tax (a) Station at rate 1-8 per acre (b) Bazar at annual rate 1 per sq. yard		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4. Additional site tax at Rs 10 or Rs 20 per site		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total of VI		21,713	10	7	21,450	0	0	21,735	3	10	Total of VI	...	...	753	9	9	800	9	0	607	4	9	83
VII.—Rents		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Total of VII	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1. Nazul lands		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2. " shops and houses		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3. Scrabs		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4. Station quarries		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5. Fishing License		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6. Pedlars stalls		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total of VII		3,254	5	5	3,300	0	0	3,492	15	11	Total of X	...	...	223	5	1	300	0	0	270	6	5	36
VIII.—Gardens		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
IX.—Fairs		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
X.—Fines		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1. For nuisances		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2. For evasion of taxes		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3. Under Gambling Act		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total of X		379	11	0	400	0	0	414	12	0	Total of XI	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
XI.—Tolls		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1. Slaughter-house		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2. Sale proceeds of Firewood		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3. Fees of bonded warehouses		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4. Paras		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5. Govt. land tax at Rs. 2 per acre		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total of XII		3,341	1	5	3,440	0	0	3,400	1	0	Total of XII	...	...	13,607	1	4	12,854	0	0	14,744	14	1	20 06

* The lease was Rs. 3,500 of which Rs. 300 was remitted to the Contractor, and Rs. 500 was realized in 1891-92.

FORM A.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL (POPULATION 12,403.)

Statement of Receipts and expenditure of Municipal Funds for the year 1890-91—concluded.

Receipts.	Actual income of previous year 1889-90.	Year under report.		Expenditure.	Actual expenditure of previous year 1889-90.	Year under report.		Percentage of actual expenditure of each major head on total expenditure.
		Estimated income 1890-91.	Actual income 1890-91.			Estimated expenditure 1890-91.	Actual expenditure 1890-91.	
1	2	3	4					5
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
XIII.—Extra-ordinary.	1. Sales of houses and lands	775 0 0	327 8 0	1. Museums and Institute	...	...	...
	2. Loans	...	...	2. Purchase of Govt. Notes	...	...	...
	3. Refunds and recoveries...	...	1,500 0 0	3. Purchase of houses	...	1,300 0 0	...	
	4. Miscellaneous	1,710 6 10	4,580 1 6	Total of XIII	...	1,000 0 0	...	
	5. Contribution from Govt.	1,380 0 0	1,380 0 0		...	...	...
	Total of XIII	3,865 6 10	7,787 9 6	XIV.—Contributions.	...	...	...
				1. To Cantonment Funds for any purpose	...	...	...
				2. To District Board	...	...	...
				3.	...	...	...
				Total of XIV	...	...	...
Total Annual Income	61,737 10	60,140 0	66,138 3 8	Total Expenditure	63,638 2	10,59,137 10	10,73,627 9 9	100 00
Balance of last year	23,023 7 5	9,997 10	18,122 14 8	Balance at close of year	18,122 14 8	1,000 0	10,633 14 4	
Total Gross Income	84,761 1	670,137 10	10,84,261 7 4	GRAND TOTAL	84,761 1	670,137 10	10,84,261 7 4	

DETAILS OF MISCELLANEOUS INCOME.

DETAILS OF MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE.

No.	Particulars.	Amount.	No.	Particulars.	Amount.
1	Sale of material from the godown (Lime and Timber) ...	425	1	Cooly Jemadar and mate ...	155 7 9
2	Sale of Conservancy Buckets ...	30	2	Meat Inspector ...	95 11 0
3	Sale of station maps ...	68	3	Boat shed Chaunkidar ...	26 0 0
4	Sale of Bye-Laws ...	2	4	Chaunkidar at Dhebighat ...	84 15 6
5	Champani fees ...	235 12 0	5	Jhampuni Moharrir ...	72 8 0
6	Sale of Kchala garden fruits ...	1	6	Station gun charges ...	30 0 0
7	Sale of gunpowder ...	5	7	Gunpowder ...	329 15 8
8	Refund on account of cost of gunpowder from Ordnance stores ...	28 5 1	8	Refund for fines and Survey charges from income of 1889-90 ...	26 0 0
9	Refund for lease land ...	326 1 0	9	Measuring rod ...	4 7 0
10	Hire of Piano ...	15 0 0	10	Tuning Piano ...	30 0 0
11	Rent for boat shed land ...	15 0 0	11	Rent of Sarin Tal Chaunki ...	12 0 0
12	Advance recovered from Band Fund ...	434 2 0	12	Advance to Band Fund ...	434 2 0
13	Refund from P. W. D. for railings on Bhaweli road ...	32 0 0	13	Analysis of Lake water ...	181 4 6
14	Refund from Aspholts from Mr. Matthews and from Assembly rooms ...	208 1 0	14	Sealing wax ...	34 0 0
15	Refund from Messrs. Matthews and Reynolds for a new road to Church ...	300 0 0	15	Tracing cloth ...	92 3 0
16	Refund from Government Press for printing Police forms ...	37 7 1	16	Repair of Staves ...	105 1 0
17	Traveling expenses advanced to Police Constables ...	72 7 0	17	Buckets for protection against fire ...	224 10 0
18	Sale of old waterpots ...	3 2 0	18	Waterproof Blankets and copy right charges ...	17 0 0
19	Sale of Phenyle ...	189 0 0	19	Phenyle ...	146 14 0
20	Cholera expenses recovered from S. A. O. ...	*1,569 1 3	20	Cholera expenses ...	*1,386 1 8
21	Received from the Nawab of Rampur for Sarin Tal Dharamsala ...	150 0 0	21	Sarin Tal Dharamsala ...	150 0 0
22	Saving under compound clearing ...	45 0 0	22	Telegram charges ...	18 4 0
23	Royalty on Shankar Kingal and timber ...	91 6 0	23	Compassionate grant to the widow of late P. Balkidan ...	500 0 0
24	Copying fees for maps ...	65 0 0			
25	Refund on account of Survey charges ...	135 0 0			
26	Sale of old records ...	2 0 0			
27	Received from Mr. Matthews for excess payment ...	100 0 0			
28	Recovered from a cartman for damage done to the railings in the cart road ...	1 0 0			
		4,580 1 0			4,080 9 1

* Rs. 203-2-7 worth old material from the godown was used in the construction of cholera sheds which was recovered from S. A. C., but this amount is not included in the expenditure.

E. A. MOLONY,

President Municipal Committee.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL.

FORM B.

Statement of expenditure from municipal funds on original works during the year 1890-91.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No.	Nature of Work.	Total estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted for the year of report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	Remarks.
		Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
	<i>Works budgeted for in November 1889.</i>					
1	Galloway house slip, Cheena Band, Rockslip on Ayarpatta and minor works.	8,302 0 11	* All paid for in previous year.	...	...	* See correspondence in annual report 1889-90. This amount became available for expenditure on other works.
2	Improvement of road through Colonel Thomason's Estate.	508 12 0	...	508 12 0	457 15 3	
3	Railings and posts	1,818 0 0	...	1,250 0 0	1,192 8 6	
4	Revetting East Laggan Road	1,939 0 0	...	1,818 0 0	841 8 0	
5	Revetment wall on China wall	543 8 0	...	1,939 0 0	1,857 5 6	
6	Jubilee Hall drain	573 4 0	...	543 8 0	463 7 6	
7	Revetment on Alura Cottage slip	772 6 0	...	573 4 0	352 10 3	Canton Lodge drain
8	Minor Works	4,450 0 0	...	772 6 0	871 7 4	Latrine at Katabaila
9	Materials in Stock	2,173 11 11	...	4,450 0 0	2,168 0 0	Omambus wall
10	Mr. Hughes's Scheme	21,079 10 10	...	2,173 11 11	850 0 0	Calvert on road above mall house, 314 14 9 Parda wall to Talli Tal spring ... 78 4 9
	Total	21,079 10 10	...	21,079 10 10	9,057 14 4	871 7 4

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL (POPULATION 12,408).

FORM C.

Statement showing the quantity or value of articles imported into, and taxed by, the Municipality during the year 1890-91.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Name of every article in the Octroi Schedule, arranged by classes.	Value of Importation.	Quantity of Imports.	Value of Imports.	Gross amount of Tax.	Refunds given on each article exported.	Net amount of Tax.	Quantity imported, less that on which Refunds are given.	Value imported, less that on which Refunds are given.	Average consumption or expenditure (as by columns 8 or 9 per head).	Remarks.
Class I	1	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
2	2	a. p.	a. p.	a. p.	a. p.	a. p.	a. p.	a. p.	a. p.	
3	3									
4	4									
5	5									
6	6									
7	7									
8	8									
9	9									
10	10									
Total of Class I										
II.										
Total of Class II										
III.										
Total of Class III										
IV.										
Total of Class IV										
V.										
Total of Class V										
VI.										
Total of Class VI										
VII.										
Total of Class VII										
VIII.										
Total of Class VIII										
GRAND TOTAL										

N.B.—Fill up calculation in column 10 only for the following articles:—(1) Food grains, (2) coarse sugar (3) oil, (4) salt, (5) fuel, (6) oil, (7) oilseeds (8) building materials, (10) drugs, (11) spices, (12) gums, (13) tobacco, (14) European Cloth, (15) Native cloth, (16) metals.

NAINI TAL:

E. A. MOLONY,

Dated May, 1891.

President, Municipal Committee.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL.

FORM D.

Statement showing the Collections on account of house and site tax during the year 1890-91.

1	2	3	4	5			6			7	8	9			10	11
Number of houses in the town.	Name of houses assessed.	Demand on account of balance due from previous year.	Collection on account of houses.	Demand on account of assessment of year of report.			Amount collected.			Balance remaining due on account of demands under columns 3 and 5 (a).	Total collections of 1890-91 (columns 4 and 6 (c)).	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Maximum.	Minimum.	Mean.
				(a) Total demand.	(b) Less collected in advance in 1890-91.	(c) Balance of demand.	(a) For current year.	(b) In advance for 1891-92.	(c) Total.							
II.—Rental Tax—																
Station	...	379 2 3	379 9 3	318,342 0 4	53 10 1	1,3219 6 3	13,152 12 4	239 6 10	13,392 3 70	165 9 11	13,771 12 5	252 0 0	7 9 4	61 5 0	...	...
Bazar	...	54 2 3	54 2 3	3,164 8 1	...	3,164 8 1	3,164 8 1	...	3,164 8 1	...	3,248 10 6	107 1 9	1 12 9	20 13 0	...	...
VI.—3 Site Tax—																
Station	...	37 14 3	37 14 3	1,506 0 2	17 8 3	1,489 7 11	1,477 7 5	14 13 3	1,492 4 8	11 0 6	1,530 2 11	...	...	...	...	...
Bazar	...	78 2 1	78 2 1	1,753 13 0	...	1,753 13 0	1,654 14 2	...	1,654 14 2	33 14 10	1,733 0 3	...	...	...	...	...
XII.—5 Government Land Tax																
Station	...	50 3 4	50 8 4	2,007 9 5	23 5 5	1,984 4 0	1,953 3 0	19 12 5	1,972 15 5	31 1 0	3,523 7 6	...	...	...	...	...
Bazar	...	150 0 9	150 0 9	3,955 0 0	15 0 0	3,970 0 0	3,905 0 0	50 0 0	3,955 0 0	65 0 0	4,105 0 0	...	...	...	...	...
VI.—4 Additional site tax station																
Station	...	780 4 4	780 4 4	25,755 15 0	79 7 9	25,679 7 3	25,307 13 0	324 0	25,631 13 6	371 10 3	26,412 1 10	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL																

E. A. MOLONY,

President Municipal Committee.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL, POPULATION (12,408).

FORM E.

Statement showing the Collections on account of License-Tax during 1890-91.

Classes.	Year.		REMARKS.
	189 -9 .	189 -9 .	
I.			
Rates			
Number assessed ...			
Amount assessed ...			
Amount collected...			
II.			
Rates			
Number assessed ...			
Amount assessed ...			
Amount collected ...			
III.			
Rates			
Number assessed ...			
Amount assessed ...			
Amount collected ..			
IV.			
Rates			
Number assessed ...			
Amount assessed ...			
Amount collected ...			
TOTAL OF ALL CLASSES.			
Balance due from past years...			
Amount collected on account of balance			
Number assessed during year of report			
Amount assessed			
Amount collected			
TOTAL COLLECTIONS OF THE YEAR			
Total balance outstanding at close of year			
Incidence of year's assessment per tax-payer			

NAINI TAL,

Dated May 1891.

E. A. MOLONY,

President, Municipal Committee.

FORM F.

Statement showing the Income of the Naini Tal Municipality, during the year ending 31st March 1891.

3		Oetroi.									
1	2	By balance in hand at the close of last year.	(a) Class I (Articles of food or drink for man or animals).	(b) Class II (Animals for slaughter).	(c) Class III (Fuel, lighting, and washing).	(d) Class IV (Building materials).	(e) Class V (Drugs, gums and spices).	(f) Class VI (Tobacco).	(g) Class VII (Cloth).	(h) Class VIII (Metals).	(i) Total.
Kumaon	17,972-14-8	...	4,814-0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,814-0-0

FORM F.

Statement showing the Income of the Naini Tal Municipality, during the year ending 31st March 1931. — (continued.)

Conservancy cess.				License on Traders.				Taxes on houses, buildings, and lands.				Tax according to circumstances and property.			
Arrear collections for the previous year.	Collections for the current year.	Penalties.	Total.	Arrear collections for the previous year.	Collections for the current year.	Penalties.	Total.	Arrear collections for the previous year.	Collections for the current year.	Penalties.	Total.	Arrear collections for the previous year.	Collections for the current year.	Penalties.	Total.
289 6 0	13,817 6 9	...	14,106 12 8	...	...	...	...	463 11 8	16,536 11 3	...	17,020 6 11	...	...	...	...

FORM F.

Statement showing the Income of the Naini Tal Municipality, during the year ending 31st March 1891.—(continued.)

4				5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Other assessed taxes in detail (as many columns as may be necessary.)				Tax on houses and lands (Compound or site tax).	Tax on vehicles.	Tax on animals.	Tolls, &c.	Water-rate.	Tax on quarries.	Tax on stalls.	Hackney-carriage tax.	Other taxes.	Total income from taxation.
Arrear collections for the previous year.	Collections for the current year.	Penalties.	Total.	Arrear collections for the previous year.	Collections for the current year.	Penalties.	Total.						
332	400	...	...	9,891 10 11	...	...	7,800 0 0	...	...	280 4 0	...	...	52,913 2 6

FORM F.

Statement showing the Income of the Naini Tal Municipality, during the year ending 31st March 1891.—continued.

Realisations under special Acts.*		Miscellaneous receipts.						Total.		
(1) Act III of 1897 (gambling).	(2) Act I of 1871 (Cattle trespass).	Proceeds of lands, &c.	Revenue derived from licences (rents, fees, &c.)	Conservancy and road cleaning (Fees sale proceeds of night soil, street refuse, &c.)	Municipal fines.	Premium on loans.†	Sundries (Rent of municipal lands, receipts from public gardens, &c.)	Payment of municipal services rendered to individuals.	Grants-in-aid from Provincial or Local Funds.	
50 7 6	327 8 0	13 0 0	...	414 12 0	...	11,037 10 8	...	1,380 0 0	13,225 6 2	

* The proceeds of the Hackney carriage tax will be entered in column 12; while fines for the evasion of the Act under which this tax is levied will continue to be shown under "Municipal Fines."

† This column is intended to show the character and amount of the Government paper if sold at a premium, and the actual price realised if sold at a discount, will be entered under the head "Sundries (Rent, &c.)" the amount for which they have been sold. The original value of the Government paper if sold at a premium, and the actual price realised if sold at a discount, will be entered under the head "Sundries (Rent, &c.)"

FORM F.

Statement showing the Income of the Naini Tal Municipality, during the year ending 31st March 1891.—concluded.

15				17	18	19	20	21
Debt.								
Loans.								
From Government.	Raised in the open market.	Deposits (Contractors' salaries unpaid, &c.)	Advances.	Realisations of sinking fund for payment of loans.*	Total income of the year, including balance.	Total income of the year, including balance.	Incidence of income (column 17) per head of population.	REMARKS.
...	66,138 0 0	0 0	4 4 2	5 5 3	* According to census of September 1890.
...	84,111 11 18	7 3 0	8 15 9	† According to census of February 1891.

N.B.—* This column is intended to show the interest on the annual allotments made by Municipalities from their income to the Sinking Fund).

E. A. MOLONY,
President, Municipal Committee.

FORM F (1).

Statement showing the Income of the Naini Tal Municipality, during the year ending 31st March 1891.

1	2	3	4								5
			Number of Members of Commi tee.								
Name of district.	Act under which constituted.	Population within Municipal limits.	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	REMARKS.
			Ex-officio.	Nominated.	Elected.	Total.	Officials.	Non-officials.	Europeans.	Natives.	
Kumaon	Act XV. of 1873.	12,408	3	5	...	8	3	5	6	2	
			3	5	...	8	3	5	6	2	

E. A. MOLONY,
President, Municipal Committee.

FORM G.

Statement showing the Expenditure of the Naini Tal Municipality, for the year ending 31st March 1891.

1	2		3			4				
	General Establishment.*		Public Safety.			Public Health.				
Name of District.	Office Establish- ment, inspection Honorary. Mu- nicipalities, estab- lishment, &c.)	Collection of Mu- nicipalities, estab- lishment, purchase of ac- count books and paper, money boxes, repair to outposts, &c.	Fire (Establish- ment, purchase of fire engine, buckets, repairs, &c.)	Lighting (Estab- lishment, pur- chase of lamps, and oil, repairs, &c.)	Police (Estab- lishment, pur- chase of clothing, lanterns, &c. re- pairs to outpost &c.)	(a) Buildings and other works. (Erection of slaughter-houses, &c.)	(b) Repairs to mar- kets, dispensa- ries, &c.)	(c) Maintenance of sanitary institu- tions (Dispen- sary establish- ments, purchase of medicines, &c.)	(d) Vaccination (Es- tablishment.	(e) Registration of births and deaths
KUMAON (Naini Tal) ...	3,688 8 11	278 8 4	...	1,520 12 7	6,016 8 9	1,824 13 3	...	513 4 9	94 0 0	...
Total										

* It must be clearly understood that under this head only such establishment is to be shown as cannot be properly shown under any of the other heads. Wherever there is a special establishment for a particular purpose only, it should be shown under the head to which that purpose belongs, and not under the head of General Establishment.

FORM G.—continued.

Statement showing the Expenditure of the Naini Tal Municipality, for the year ending 31st March 1891.

6		7		8	
Public Instruction.		Public Convenience.		Miscellaneous.	Total expenditure.
Contributions to Schools.	Public Works.		Survey of land.	Other charges (Painting, rewards, &c.)	Contributions.
	Establishment.*	New works.	Repairs.		
150 0 0	2,640 0 0	15,983 12 9	6,196 9 6	16 0 0	...
					1,837 0 8
					63,983 9 0

* If the Public Works establishment be employed partly upon works connected with any of the other heads, the share of the charges debitable to these heads should be shown under these heads and not under this head.

FORM G.—concluded.

Statement showing the Expenditure of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March 1891.

Interest.		Debt.				10	Remarks.
Loans (instal- ments paid during the year.	Previous year's.	Current year's.	Investments in Government Securities.	Deposits (salaries attached con- tractors, &c.)	Advance on ac- count of (Depart- mental works, &c.)	Closing balance.	
							Grand Total.
4,999 15 10	...	4,644 0 2	...	...	..	99,450 9 0	LIABILITIES— Balance of loans .. 99,450 9 Less amount made over to Sinking Funds Net balance of loans .. 99,450 9 Deposits CLAIMS— Advances recoverable Net amount of debt .. 99,450 9

NAINI TAL,

E. A. MOLONY,

Dated May 1891.

President, Municipal Committee.

FORM I.

*Statement showing the sources of water-supply in the Municipality of
Naini Tal.*

Name of Municipality.	Sources of water-supply.
Naini Tal	There are two sources of drinking water-supply 1: Lake water. 2: Spring water.

E. A. MOLONY,

President, Municipal Committee.

FORM H.

Statement showing the grants made to the Municipality, Naini Tal, during the year 1890-91 from Local and Provincial Funds.

Name of Municipality.	Amount of grant.	Purpose for which the grant was given.
Naini Tal	1,380 0 0	Rs. 1,200 for the purpose of maintaining extra Police Force at Naini Tal. Rs. 180 for the purpose of maintaining one mile of extra Municipal cart road.

E. A. MOLONY,

President, Municipal Committee

FORM J.

Statement showing the mode of Conservancy in the Municipality of Naini Tal.

Name of Municipality.	Mode of Conservancy.	Strength of scavenging establishment in men, cattle, and plant.	Cost.	Remarks.
NAINI TAL	<p>The area within Municipal limits is divided into circles under the control of European Inspectors who have a suitable staff of sweepers under them.</p> <p>These sweepers carry away the night soil on their heads in air-tight buckets to certain spot set aside for the purpose where the filth is buried in trenches beyond the watershed of the sanitarium.</p> <p>The liquid it is impossible to carry away from Estates, but from the main bazar the liquid is trenched in the Municipal gardens at the back of the bazar.</p> <p>The refuse of the upper bazar is burnt in a kiln standing in the middle of a vegetable garden at the back of the bazar, the ashes being used as manure, and also this year a Contractor was engaged by the Municipality to remove the upper bazar and Hill's Hotel refuse beyond the water-shed at Rs. 60 p. m.</p> <p>The refuse in private Estates is collected in pits and is burnt, carried away, buried or used as garden manure.</p>	<p>4 Soldier Inspectors.</p> <p>3 Jemadars.</p> <p>10 Contractors.</p> <p>140 Special sweepers.</p>	15,105 11 0	The 10 sweeper contractors are attached to circles and they make their own arrangements for the cleanliness under the supervision of the Inspectors.

E. A. MOLONY,
President, Municipal Committee.

FORM K.

Statement showing the number of Schools, the average attendance at each, and the Municipal contribution paid during the year 1890-91.

Num-ber.	Name of Municipality.	Number of Schools.	Average daily attendance.	Annual Municipal aid.	Remarks.
1	Naini Tal.	8	127.65	...	Diocesan Boys' School.
2	...		98.	...	Do. Girls' School.
3	...		55.	...	Boys' High School.
4	...		80.	...	Girls' do.
5	...		76.76	...	Mr. Elliott's School.
6	...		66.	Rs. 150	Mission School (Native boys).
7	...		82.	...	Ramni School.
8	...		42.	...	St. Joseph's School.

E. A. MOLONY,

President Municipal Committee.

FORM L.

Statement of special loans to the Municipality of Naini Tal, during the year 1890-91.

Municipality receiving loan.	Amount of loan sanctioned.	Rate per cent.	Date of order authorising loan.	Balance at close of last year.	Amount of interest paid during the year.	Total.	Amount repaid.	Balance of loan at close of the year.	Amount of interest realized and credited to revenue.	Amount of interest unpaid.
NAINI TAL	150,000	0 4½ per cent. per annum.	31st August 1891.	1,04,450 8 10	...	1,04,450 8 10	1,999 15 10	99,450 9 0	4,644 0 2	...

* The Accountant-General deducted 2 pias from the principal, and added to the interest which is short paid.

E. A. MOLONY,
President, Municipal Committee.

FORM M.

Statement of loan raised by the Naini Tal Municipality outside Government account during the year 1890-91.

Municipality receiving loan.	Date of order authorising loan.	Amount of loan sanctioned.	Rate of interest.	Balance of last year.	Amount of loan raised during the year.	Total.	Amount repaid.	Balance of loan at close of the year.	Amount of interest due.	Amount of interest paid.	Balance of sinking fund on 31st March 1891.
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E. A. MOLONY,
President, Municipal Committee.

A.

Return of Vital Statistics in the Nani Tal Municipality for the year 1890-91.

Population.	Births.			Ratio of births to 1,000 of population.	Deaths.			Ratio of deaths to 1,000 of population.
	Male.	Female.	Total.		Male.	Female.	Total.	
12,408	62	45	107	8.62	216	92	308	24.82

Nani Tal
Dated 9 May 1891

E. A. MOLONY,
President, Municipal Committee.

Statement Showing the Constitution of the Naini Tal Municipal Board for the year 1890-91.

Nationality.	Number of elected members.	Number of appointed members.
(1) Hindus.	...	1
(2) Mahomedans.	...	1
(3) Others.	...	6

*E. A. MOLONY,
President, Municipal Committee.*

Dated 7th May, 1891. }

Statement showing nature of offences and amount of fines imposed during 1890-91.

NUISANCES.

Number of persons convicted.	Amount of fines.	Remarks.			Amount.
		Maximum fine ...	Rs. 50	0 0	
		Minimum	"	0 1 0	
108 persons for committing nuisances	Rs 414 12 0	...	...	...	76 5 0
57 " " Drunkenness	...	...	...	...	57 0 0
76 " " Cutting trees and grass in forbidden places	...	...	...	...	67 12 0
31 " " Grazing cattle or other animals	...	...	...	...	52 11 0
3 " " Riding furiously on public roads	...	...	...	...	25 0 0
8 " " Disobeying the orders of the Committee	...	...	...	...	41 0 0
1 " " Ditto	and deliberate contravention of Municipal Rules	...	...	...	50 0 0
7 " " Rioting in public thoroughfares	...	...	...	...	18 0 0
5 " " Selling adulterated ghee and milk	...	...	...	...	27 0 0

E. A. MOLONY,
President, Municipal Committee.

SANITARY REPORT OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL, FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1890-91.

(To be filled in and transmitted to the Sanitary Commissioner for the
North-Western Provinces and Oudh on or before the 15th April.

	Answers.																
1. State the amount of income and expenditure for sanitary purposes during the year.	Income Rs. ... 66,138																
2. State briefly the sanitary works executed and in progress during the year as regards—	1. Expenditure for sanitary purposes excluding original works.																
	<table> <tr> <td>Conservancy</td><td>... 15,105</td></tr> <tr> <td>Charitable grants</td><td>... 607</td></tr> <tr> <td>Repair of latrines</td><td>... 41</td></tr> <tr> <td>Clearing lake water and springs</td><td>... 93</td></tr> <tr> <td>Meat Inspector's pay</td><td>... 96</td></tr> <tr> <td>Analysis of lake water</td><td>... 181</td></tr> <tr> <td>Purchase of phenyle...</td><td>... 147</td></tr> <tr> <td>Cholera expenses recovered from the District Board</td><td>... 1,509</td></tr> </table>	Conservancy	... 15,105	Charitable grants	... 607	Repair of latrines	... 41	Clearing lake water and springs	... 93	Meat Inspector's pay	... 96	Analysis of lake water	... 181	Purchase of phenyle...	... 147	Cholera expenses recovered from the District Board	... 1,509
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Analysis of lake water	... 181																
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Cholera expenses recovered from the District Board	... 1,509																
(a) Drainage	(a). A sum of Rs. 2,954 was spent in relaying the bazar drains. Rs. 850 was spent on account of survey charges for the drainage and water scheme, Rs. 313 was spent for receptacles for sullage water in bazar.																
(b) Water supply	(b). Rs. 783 was spent in fixing the Rajpur tank. Rs. 466 was spent in protecting the Ayazpata spring. Estimates for a drainage and water scheme are being prepared by Mr. Hughes.																
(c) Improvement of streets	(c). Nil.																
(d) Conservancy	(d). Rs. 1,945 was spent on latrines, i. e. Babolia Rs. 162 and public latrine in upper bazar Rs. 1,783. Rs. 114 were spent on sweeper's house at Bariya Tal.																
(e) Other sanitary improvements.	<table> <tr> <td>Shed for bullocks for slaughter</td><td>... Rs. 162</td></tr> <tr> <td>Improvements in coolie and sweeper lines</td><td>... " 1,202</td></tr> <tr> <td>Meat market</td><td>... " 3,958</td></tr> <tr> <td>Byres for bazar cows and goats</td><td>... " 2,801</td></tr> <tr> <td>Improvements at the dhobi hats</td><td>... " 433</td></tr> </table>	Shed for bullocks for slaughter	... Rs. 162	Improvements in coolie and sweeper lines	... " 1,202	Meat market	... " 3,958	Byres for bazar cows and goats	... " 2,801	Improvements at the dhobi hats	... " 433						
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Improvements at the dhobi hats	... " 433																
3. How is the refuse disposed of? What arrangements are made for conservancy?	3. The stable refuse is partly burnt and partly used for garden manure. Night soil is carried away in air tight buckets and buried beyond the watershed.																

State the number of public latrines in working order.

There are ten public latrines in working order.

4. Report briefly on the state of drainage—

4. In both bazars the drainage is now thoroughly efficient.

(a) Of streets ...

New saucer shaped surface efficient drains have recently been laid in both bazars which leave nothing to be desired as far as the streets are concerned.

(b) Of houses ...

The washing and sullage water from the houses of the upper bazar drain with masonry reservoirs which have been made in each house, and the contents are removed several times daily and trenched in the Municipal garden. In the lower bazar the system is different, the house drains communicate with the street drains and the sullage water eventually goes into the Balha ravine.

5. Give a brief report of the general health of the people and the sanitary condition of the town.

5. The general health during the year was exceptionally bad as may be seen by the table below, cholera, fever and bowel complaints being more fatal than for many years.

Name of disease.	Years.			
	1887-88.	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.
Cholera ...	15	17	32	69
Fever ...	106	81	99	126
Bowel complaints ...	47	68	74	80

6. Give particulars of any outbreak of epidemic disease during the year, with date of commencement and termination, and measures adopted to control the epidemic.

6. The first case of cholera occurred on June, 5th and the disease continued till September 8th during which time there were 35 deaths. The disease again broke out in Malli Tal bazar on January 21st when there were 5 cases and 4 deaths. The epidemic that began in June was remarkable for the fact that the later stages of the disease being almost confined to old people. There were, however, seven attacks amongst the Khampeas, of whom three died. Frequent sanitary inspections were made of houses and out houses, and the excreta were removed as they occurred to special hospitals at Chorkhet and Durrapur, and special hospital assistants were put in charge and treated the cases.

M. A. MOLONY,
President, Municipal Committee.

J. F. TUOHY,
Civil Surgeon.

• FROM

THE SECY. OF THE MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE
OF NAINI TAL.

To

THE ASST. COMM. AND MAGISTRATE,
NAINI TAL.

Dated th April 1891.

No. .

Submits the Sanitary Report for the year 1890-91.

E. HODGES, C. E.

Secretary, Municipal Committee.

FROM

THE ASST. COMM. AND MAGISTRATE
OF NAINI TAL,

To

THE SANITARY COMMISSIONER,

N.-W. Provinces and Oudh.

Dated th April 1891.

Forwards the Sanitary Report of the Naini Tal
Municipality.

E. A. MOLONY,

Asst. Commr. and Magistrate.

Copy of a letter No. ²⁰²⁰~~XVIII-131~~, dated 24th June 1891, from the Commissioner of Kumaon Division, to the Senior Assistant Commissioner of Kumaon.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge your No. ⁵⁹³~~XIX~~, dated 20th May, 1891, with which you submit, without remark, the expenditure Report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year 1890-91.

I notice with satisfaction that (notwithstanding certain drawbacks in the conditions of the year which was one of exceptional sickness and almost unprecedentedly heavy rainfall) there was a small but progressive increase in the receipts from the various sources of Municipal income. The taxes and other dues were collected with promptitude, the outstanding balances were small, and the explanations for their existence clear and satisfactory.

3. The details of the expenditure are also very clear and to the point. An unusually large sum was devoted to the construction of a number of exceedingly useful and necessary "original" public works all calculated to add to the safety, health and convenience of the residents.

4. The resume of what has been done towards the improvement of the sanitation of the Settlement, given in the 23rd paragraph of the report is an interesting statement, and I readily acknowledge that it shows that the Municipal Committee have given a great deal of care and consideration to this most important subject, and that they show very good record of work done, as well as a determination to push on to completion the larger and more comprehensive measures which are so urgently required, and the projects for which are at this moment occupying close attention. The Committee is fortunate in that it not only enjoys the moral support of Government in its endeavours to advance reforms which, however essential to the public weal, are liable to meet with individual opposition and obstruction, but it can count on a very liberal measure of material assistance from Government in providing the ways and means for carrying out these reforms. I hope that the history of the current year will not only contain an account of a large project for the removal of the sewerage of the settlement and the improvement and protection of the supply of drinking water, but that it will further show that very considerable progress has been made in carrying out the project and in bringing it into working order.

5. I have already remarked in the 2nd paragraph of this letter on the fact (mentioned in paragraph 5 of the Sanitary Report of this Municipality) that the general health during the year was exceptionally bad, cholera, other bowel complaints and fever all prevailed to an abnormal extent, and brought home to all interested in the well being of Naini Tal the urgency of sanitary reform. I may here mention a matter which, though it largely affects the interests of the settlement, finds no place in this Municipal report because it does not affect the income and expenditure of the Muni-

No. 602, of 1891.

From

THE PRESIDENT,

Municipal Committee, Naini Tal,

To

THE COMMISSIONER,

Kumaon Division.

Dated 13th July, 1891.

SIR,

In answer to your No. $\frac{2238}{XVIII-131}$, dated 11th July, 1891, enclosing copy of G. O. No. $\frac{1719}{XI-474-79}$ dated July 3rd, I have the honor to report that the reason of the discrepancy between the opening cash balance of the year under report and the closing cash balance of the previous year is that from the figures of the year under report, the imprest advance of Rs. 150 in the hands of the Clerk has inadvertently been omitted. Both the opening and closing cash balance of the year under report should therefore be increased by Rs. 150, and my office copy has been amended accordingly.

2- With regard to paragraph 2 of the G. O. I am unable to give any other explanation than that which was given last year. I may mention that Mr. Finn the Secretary tested some of the entries last year and was unable to discover any mistakes. Further efforts will be made this year to ensure the correctness of the returns.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

E. A. MOLONY,

President.

cipality. I refer to the fact that the Government has made liberal grants for improving the water supply and the sanitary arrangements at Haldwani, Kathgodam and Ranibagh, and also along the entire length of road and the bridle path between the railway and Naini Tal.

6. It is said in the 4th paragraph of the Sanitary Report attached to the report of the President of the Municipal Committee that the drainage in both the bazars is now thoroughly efficient. It is difficult to understand how a remark so very misleading came to be recorded, for, as a matter of fact, the system of drains in the bazars is so gravely imperfect that its improvement is *the* question of the hour.

7. I desire to record my acknowledgement of the services rendered during the year by the non-official members of the Committee to the public whom they represent. They have devoted much valuable time to Municipal business, and largely aided the local officers of Government, on whom the ultimate responsibility for efficient administration, in a Municipality such as Naini Tal, must always rest.

I have, &c.,

J. FRASER,

Head Assistant,

for COLONEL G. E. ERSKINE,

Commissioner.

